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The 1st step in joining the CRS is taken when a community appoints a CRS coordinator to handle the application work and serve as a liaison with FEMA. Next, the community obtains a copy of the *CRS Coordinator's Manual*, which describes the program and gives details about the eligible activities.

The manual and CRS application form are available online: www.training.fema.gov/emiweb/crs. A hard copy of either document may be obtained by calling 317-848-2898.

The next step in joining the CRS is to submit the application to the appropriate FEMA Regional Office (see page A-1 of Appendix A in the *CRS Coordinator's Manual* for contact information) along with documentation demonstrating that the community is engaged in activities recognized by the CRS. Technical assistance from trained CRS field representatives is available on request (see Appendix G in the *CRS Coordinator's Manual* for contact information). All publications and computer software for completing the application are available at no charge to NFIP communities.

After conducting a field verification of the activities described in the application, the CRS Specialist arranges for NFIP flood insurance premiums to be reduced in the community.

CRS support for participating communities doesn't stop there. Throughout the year, CRS specialists participate in informational and coordination meetings hosted by prospective and participating communities. Additionally, CRS workshops and comprehensive floodplain management workshops are held year-around to support local jurisdictions. Also available is a week-long CRS training course (conducted at FEMA's Emergency Management Institute in Emmitsburg, Maryland).

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NEW BENCHMARKS UPDATED ELEVATIONS for COASTAL LOUISIANA

NOTICE

NOAA has published a new set of elevations for coastal Louisiana south of Interstate 10

This effort is to reflect the movement downward of elevations in the last ten (10) years. This information should be incorporated into all recent, current, or planned surveying efforts in this region which are elevation sensitive.

In publishing the new elevations, a network of 86 vertical reference points has been identified and NOAA has adjusted the elevations of these control points downward. In general, movement downward of elevations of 6 inches to just over 1 foot have been made to reflect the elevation loss across the coastal area that this vertical control network covers over the last ten (10) years. The updated elevations are NAVD88.

Information on the vertical controls and the updated elevations can be found at:

www.ngs.noaa.gov/heightmod/LouisianaControl.shtml

For additional information, contact NGS [National Geodetic Survey] or the Louisiana Spatial Reference Center for updated or additional information on benchmark elevations and additional GPS sites in coastal Louisiana for the area south of Interstate 10.

IHP STATISTIC (IHP – Individuals & Households Program)

\$ 4,243,852,329 in FEMA assistance has been provided

<http://www.fema.gov/media/>

as of 11/06/05



The 2005 Atlantic hurricane season will no doubt be remembered for many years to come. Records have been set. Storms seemed to be forming almost one right after another—even late into the season. Among the storms that formed this year, Hurricane Katrina will no doubt stand out as the one storm to have had the greatest impact on millions of lives along the U.S. Gulf Coast. Hurricane Katrina became the most destructive hurricane to strike the United States.

taken from – www.noaa.gov



Community Assistance Program

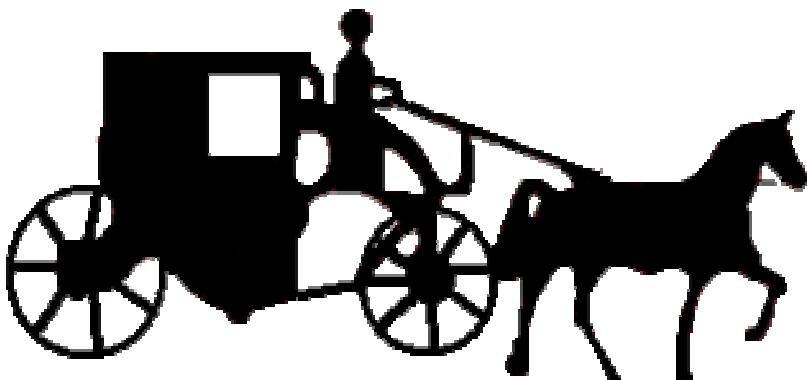
Community Assistance Visits (CAVs) are conducted by a representative from our office. We are with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD) in the Floodplain Management section. We conduct the CAVs on behalf of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for regular phase communities to determine how well they are complying with National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Regulations.

A **CAV** consists of a complete field survey of special flood hazard areas in your community to note development activities and have a meeting with you (as the local Floodplain Administrator). During the meeting we will review the requirements outlined in your

community's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance and provide technical assistance, if needed.

The primary purpose of the Community Assistance Program is to help solve floodplain management problems. However, if the review indicates a failure on behalf of your community or developers to enforce or abide by the Community's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, you will be asked to take prompt corrective actions for deficiencies which have been identified.

We conduct approximately 50 to 60 CAVs in a year, so keep a look out & put a pot of coffee on, we may be coming to your community!



CHURCH POINT

is famous for
the ***BUGGY FESTIVAL***

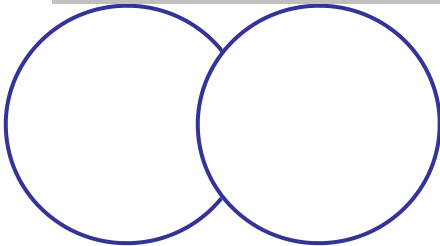


PRE-DISASTER MITIGATION Grants

Reminder:

The deadline for FY 2006 PDM grant applications to FEMA is midnight (EST) on Friday, March 3, 2006.

www.fema.gov/fima/pdm.shtm

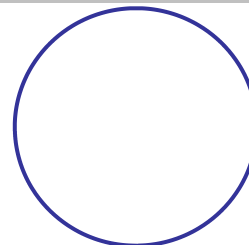


CRAWL SPACE

Definition: A crawlspace (as the name suggests) is a type of basement in which one cannot stand up — the height may be as little as a foot, and the surface is often dirt.

While this cannot be used as living space, it can be used as storage, often for infrequently used items. These can be placed directly on the dirt, but it is more desirable to finish with either plastic or some sort of wood or concrete flooring.

For guidance see **Technical Bulletin:** www.fema.gov/fima/techbul.shtm



the 1st Louisiana Floodplain Management Association (LFMA) conference was hosted in 1984 in Lake Charles.



FEMA

**National Flood Insurance Program
Summary of Coverage**

WHAT IS INCREASED COST OF COMPLIANCE [ICC] COVERAGE?

Most NFIP policies include ICC coverage, which applies when flood damages are severe. ICC coverage provides up to \$30,000 of the cost to elevate, demolish or relocate your home. If your community declares your home “substantially damaged” or “repetitively damaged” by a flood, it will require you to bring your home up to current community standards.

The total amount of your building claim and ICC claim cannot exceed the maximum limit for building property coverage (\$250,000 for a single-family home). Having an ICC claim does not affect a Personal Property claim (up to \$100,000), which is paid separately.

Details about eligibility are in Part III, Section D of your policy.

www.fema.gov/pdg/nfip/summary_cov.pdf

WE WISH YOU and YOUR FAMILY
a MERRY CHRISTMAS and
a HAPPY NEW YEAR!
CINDY, SANDRA, and PAM



IMPORTANT !



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

To provide States and local governments with financial assistance to implement measures that will permanently reduce or eliminate future damages and losses from natural hazards through safer building practices and improving existing structures & supporting infrastructure.

AS A RESULT OF HURRICANES KATRINA and RITA, THERE WILL BE FUNDING AVAILABLE THROUGH THIS PROGRAM FOR MITIGATION PROJECTS . . . IF YOUR COMMUNITY IS INTERESTED IN APPLYING FOR FUNDS CONTACT:

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www.ohsep.louisiana.gov/grants/hmgpdis.htm

Strong Building Code Protects



Louisiana Town

Mandeville's mitigation efforts paid off before, during, and after Hurricane Katrina tested their limits. Mitigation efforts work with home and business owners to ensure that historical character is preserved throughout the process.

Story featured on FEMA “Best Practices & Case Studies” website:

www.fema.gov/fima/bp.shtm



FIND GUIDANCE to REPAIR FLOODED PROPERTY
and LEARN WHAT LOW-COST MEASURES YOU CAN
TAKE to REDUCE YOUR RISK FROM FUTURE
NATURAL DISASTERS.

www.fema.gov/rrr/rebuilding_resources.shtm



Our goal is flood loss reduction . . .

We are here to provide any guidance needed to assure that NFIP regulations are carried out and violations prevented.

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